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TAGS: MARR PFOR MO

SUBJECT: COMMERCIAL SATELLITE LEASE WASHINGTON-MOROCCO

REF: A. STATE 168016; B. RABAT 3811

1. IN FIRST CONVERSATION WE HAVE HAD WITH PTT MINISTRY SINCE RECEIPT REF A, WE RAISED QUESTION SOLVENCY OF GROUND SATELLITE STATION. ACTING PTT SEC GEN CONFIRMED OUR IMPRESSION THAT STATION BARELY HANGING ON, PARTICULARLY SINCE ALGERIA RECENTLY CANCELLED ITS LEASED CIRCUITS. SEC GEN ASSERTED-- WITH APPARENT CANDOR--THAT FURTHER CANCELLATIONS AT THIS TIME WOULD EFFECTIVELY FORCE CLOSING DOWN THE ENTIRE FACILITY.

2. COMMENT: AS INDICATED REF B, WE ALSO BELIEVE CANCELLATION OF LEASE WOULD BE MISINTERPRETED AS SIGNAL OF DIMINISHING U.S. PRESENCE AND DECLINING INTEREST. ANNOUNCEMENT EFFECT OF FORCED CLOSURE OF SUCH PROUD SYMBOL OF MODERNISM AS GROUND SATELLITE STATION WOULD MAGNIFY MISUNDERSTANDING.
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